(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) and (b) The National Highways Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 has been promulgated on 24.1.1997 to amend the National Highways Act 1956 to facilitate speedy acquisition of land for development of National Highways. The Act now provides that once the Central Government declares that the land is required for public purposes for development of a national highway, that land will vest in the Government and only the compensation amount to be paid can be adjudicated through arbitration, if any dispute arises.

[Translation]

Infrastructural Facilities at Ports in Gujarat

1345. SHRI KASHI RAM RANA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether infrastructural facilities have not been developed by the Government at any port in Gujarat during the last two years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to develop infrastructural facilities at various ports in Gujarat; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir, In Gujarat, Kandla Port is the only Major Port. The Government has sanctioned major schemes for development of Kandla port Trust during the last two years for construction of 8th cargo berth, 4th oil jetty, 2 Nos. virtual jetties and a captive jetty by M/s. Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir, The major schemes for development of Kandla Port Trust proposed in the 9th Five Year Plan are (i) replacement of M.O. Kutch Vallabh, (ii) Multi-Purpose berth and development of infrastructural facilities in Gujarat at Vadinar and (iii) construction of 9th & 10th cargo berths. As regards Minor Ports in Gujarat, the responsibility for development rests with the Government of Gujarat.

Special Dispensation Admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas

1346. SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH:
SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a policy decision was taken in September, 1996 that special dispensation admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas will be limited to 10 per cent of the total admissions made in the preceding year on regular basis;

(b) if so, whether any committee has since been set up and guidelines framed to regulate such admissions;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d) In September, 1996, it was decided that an affidavit be filed in the High Court of Delhi by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan stating that rules to regulate special dispensation admissions through a committee, will be formulated. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has filed the affidavit and the matter is before the court.

[English]

Educational Institutions

1347. SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Degree Engineering Colleges, Polytechnics and ITIs set up in the country during the Eighth Five Year Plan, State-wise; and

(b) the number of such institutions proposed to be set up during the Ninth Plan, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The Statewise number of degree level Engineering Colleges and Polytechnics as stand approved by the All India Council for Technical Education on 31st December, 1996 are as given in the attached Statement-I. These include those institutions also which existed earlier only with the State Government's approval and later on approved by the AICTE. The number of ITIs.ITCs as on 31st July, 1996 State-wise is into attached Statement-II. The number of institutions during the Ninth Plan depends upon the proposals from the State Governments based on manpower needs and their overall viability.

Statement–I

As on 31.12.1996

Region	States/UTs	Number of Engineering Colleges	Number of Polytechnics
1	2	3	4
Central	1. Madhya Pradesh	22	49
	2. Orissa	09	23